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6000N Road Construction Project

Road Closure

Ottawa, IL – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that ongoing construction activities have progressed to the point that 6000N Rd. from US 45/52 to IL 50 will be closed entirely to thru traffic. Only residents and businesses within the limits of the project and emergency personnel will be allowed to access the roadway. The closure of the road is due to safety concerns arising from large construction vehicles and equipment in addition to dangerous site conditions making travel adverse.

Local law enforcement has been communicating with motorists in the surrounding area, and will continue enforcement of the work zone including ticketing if improper use of the roadway is observed.

The road closure is needed to construct a new interchange with I-57, which includes widening 6000N Road, replacement of the overhead structure, addition of ramps along I-57, and intersection improvements at both US 45/52 and IL 50, among other subsequent work. A \$46,292,437.61 contract has been awarded to Kankakee Valley Construction Company, Inc. for this work. The closure of 6000N Road is expected to last through the 2017 construction season at which time the entire project is scheduled to be completed.

Please slow down and use extreme caution while driving through all work zones.

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